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In re Application of
Christ G. Ellis
Application No. 10/694,538
Filed: October 28, 2003
For: **INTELLIGENT VEHICLE APPARATUS
AND METHOD FOR USING THE APPARATUS**

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DECISION ON PETITION
TO MAKE SPECIAL

This is a decision on the petition to make special pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.102 and MPEP §708.02 (IV) (applicant's age) filed October 26, 2003.

A petition to make special under MPEP §708.02, IV, must show that petitioner is 65 years of age, or more. Acceptable evidence includes a birth certificate, copy of a driver's license, or simply a statement by the applicant. No fee is required.

The petition includes a copy of the inventor's birth certificate which reflects a birth date of August 10, 1927, evidencing that the inventor is over 65 years of age.

Accordingly, the petition is **GRANTED**.

The application will retain its special status throughout its entire prosecution, including any appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, subject only to diligent prosecution by the applicant.

The application file is being forwarded to the examination art unit for expedited prosecution.

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